FINANCE COMMITTEE

LEWISTON, MAINE

Minutes of July 9, 2007

PRESENT: Chairman Roger Provencher, Councilor Mark Paradis Robert Reed, Councilor Lillian LaFontaine O'Brien and Ronald Paradis.

Meeting was called to order at 5:16 p.m. by the Chairman Roger Provencher.

On motion of Mr. Mark Paradis, seconded by Mr. Ron Paradis it was

VOTED:

(64-2007) To dispense with reading of the minutes of the previous meeting dated June 18, 2007 and to accept and place them on file.

VOTE: 4-0-1 Mr. Reed abstained

The Committee considered award the bid for a tractor with boom mower for the Public Works Department. It was recommended that the proposal be awarded to Howard P. Fairfield at their net bid price of \$73,500 which was above the low bid from M B Tractor of Tilton, NH of \$72,868 however, the warranty offered by the low bidder was only 36 months or 3,000 hours while Howard P. Fairfield offered a 4 year or 4,000 hours.

On recommendation of the Purchasing Agent and on motion of Mr. Mark Paradis, seconded by Ms. O'Brien it was

VOTED:

(65-2007) To award Bid 2007-031 on a Tractor with Boom Mower for the Public Works Department to Howard P. Fairfield, Skowhegan, Maine, at their net bid price of \$73,500.

VOTE: 5-0

The Committee considered award of the bid for the season's requirements for Hot Plant Mix Asphalt Paving Program. The Purchasing Agent explained to the Committee that only one bid was received from Pike Industries of Lewiston and follow up discussions were had with the company after the proposal was received. With prices significantly higher than the previous year, mostly it is the result of increase in the cost of fuel oil, a meeting with officials from Pike Industries was requested in order to determine if it was possible to make any adjustments to the prices submitted. Part of the reason for the additional cost was the unknown of adding additional streets, during the construction season, that would be small in overall quantities and require greater mobilization costs. A more definitive structure of the actual streets to be included in the proposal was provided to Pike Industries which

resulted in a reduction in their unit price per ton of \$5.00 or a total estimated savings for the entire bid of \$35,325. After a brief discussion the following action was taken.

On recommendation of the Purchasing Agent and on motion of Ms. O'Brien, seconded by Mr. Reed it was

VOTED:

(66-2007) To award Bid 2007-024 on Hot Plant Mix Asphalt Paving to Pike Industries, Lewiston, Maine, at their adjusted bid prices as listed below:

Item		Qty/Unit	Unit \$	Total \$
1	Furnish/install 19mm Binder Course	3,070 ton	67.50	207,225.00
2	Furnish/instal 12.5mm Surface Course	980 ton	74.50	73,010.00
3	Furnish/instal 9.5mm Fine Shim & Surface Course	7,065 ton	* 67.50	476,887.50
4	Furnish/instal Grade "D" Surface Course	50 ton	72.50	3,625.00
5	Furnish/instal HMA by hand	300 ton	125.00	37,500.00
6	Furnish/instal Trench & Sidewalk HMA	300 ton	125.00	37,500.00
7	Furnish/instal 3 Mold 2 Curb	2,000 LF	6.00	12,000.00
8	Fine Grading of Streets	35 hrs	250.00	8,750.00
9	Cold Planing of areas up to 40 SY	40 SY	31.00	1,240.00
10	Cold Planing of areas up to 150 SY	150 SY	20.00	3,000.00
11	Cold Planing of areas up to 1,000 SY	1,000 SY	16.00	16,000.00
Adjusted total for Items 1-11			\$876,737.50	

^{*} New adjusted amount from 72.50/ton and a total of \$512,212.50

VOTE: 5-0

The Purchasing Agent explained the requirements for acquiring Parking Control equipment in order to automate the three (3) parking facilities which are currently manned. The total proposal including installation amounted to \$289,923 from Wescor Parking Controls Inc. This is the same company which is currently providing the automated equipment at the Southern Gateway Garage.

On recommendation of the Purchasing Agent and on motion of Mr. Mark Paradis, seconded by Ms. O'Brien it was

VOTED:

(67-2007) To award the bid on automating the parking facilities to Wescor Parking Controls Inc., Auburn, MA, at a total cost including installation of \$289,923.

VOTE: 5-0

The Committee reviewed the proposal received to acquire Voice Over IP Telephone System, in which a Waiver of Competition was previously authorized, to negotiate with Central Maine Communications for the replacement of the telephone system at City Hall and other locations. The approval of the Waiver was granted on the basis of tying in with the City of Auburn's existing system.

On recommendation of the Purchasing Agent and on motion of Mr. Mark Paradis, seconded by Mr. Reed it was

VOTED:

(68-2007) To award the contract for a Voice Over IP Telephone System for City Hall and other municipal buildings to Central Maine Communications, at a total project cost of \$268,570.68.

VOTE: 5-0

On recommendation of the Purchasing Agent and on motion of Ms. O'Brien, seconded by Mr. Mark Paradis it was

VOTED:

(69-2007) To award Bid 2007-033 on installation of a Pressure Reducing Water Main Valve on Apple Road to Gendron & Gendron, Lewiston, Maine, low bidder at their bid price of \$43,050.

VOTE: 5-0

VOTED:

To adjourn at 5:48 p.m.

Richard T. Metivier Clerk Finance Committee